## INFORMATION PACKET Apprenticeship Rules

## **Public Hearings**

**Tumwater Hearing:** 

Date: March 9, 2004 Time: 1:00 PM

Department of Labor and Industries Building S 119
7273 Linderson Way S.W.
Tumwater, Washington

The Washington State Apprenticeship and Training Council (WSATC) will hold public hearings to receive information and provide the opportunity for comments about proposed changes to the Apprenticeship Rules (Chapter 296-05 WAC). Chapter 49.04 RCW grant the WSATC authority to propose and adopt these rules.

**If you require special communication or accommodation arrangements**, please contact us at (360) 902-6411 or <a href="mailto:swaj235@lni.wa.gov">swaj235@lni.wa.gov</a> no later than February 24, 2004. Requests received after this date may not allow adequate time to make the arrangements.

## Send written comments using one of the following:

By mail to: Josh Swanson

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By electronic mail to: swaj235@lni.wa.gov

By fax: 360-902-5292 (Comments submitted by fax must be 10 pages or less.)

## Comments must be received by March 9, 2004.

The WSATC will respond in writing to everyone submitting verbal and written comments before the deadline, and after the WSATC has adopted changes to the rules.

This proposed rulemaking seeks to clarify the apprenticeship program standards objection process. These changes are consistent with the current policy adopted by the Washington State Apprenticeship and Training Council (WSATC), but propose to establish specific timeframes relating to objections of apprenticeship program standards. In addition, these proposed rules seek to clarify that it is the WSATC chair or "designee" that is allowed to preside over adjudicative proceedings, held before the WSATC.

Details of specific proposed amendments will be published in Washington State Register 04-04 on February 18, 2004. The tentative adoption date for these rules is April 28, 2004 and the tentative effective date is June 1, 2004.

Verbal and/or written comments on the proposed rule changes will be accepted at the public hearing. Correspondence relating to this notice and rules should be addressed to Josh Swanson, Specialty Compliance Services Division, P.O. Box 44400, Olympia, Washington 98504-4400.